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SUBJECT: CSCE - BRITISH PAPER ON FOLLOW-UP

1. TICKELL ASKED US TO CALL AT FCO DECEMBER 17 TO RE-
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CEIVE A COPY OF A BRITISH PAPER ON FOLLOW-UP ARRANGE-

MENTS AFTER THE THIRD STAGE OF CSCE. TEXT OF BRITISH PAPER IS CONTAINED IN NEXT FOLLOWING CABLE.

2. TICKELL SAID BRITISH GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT IT IS NOW TIME TO REAPPRAISE WESTERN VIEWS ON FOLLOW-UP MACHINERY OR ARRANGEMENTS. HE NOTED THAT AT DECEMBER 3 NAC DISCUSSION OF CSCE THE US HAD ASKED FOR DISCUSSION OF FOLLOW-UP IN JANUARY. FOLLOW-UP, TICKELL SAID, IS A RECURRENT THEME IN GENEVA, AND IF STAGE II SHOULD, AS MIGHT REASONABLY BE EXPECTED, END BEFORE EASTER, NATO NEEDS TO START IN JANUARY TO PREPARE ITS POSITION.

3. THE BRITISH THINKING GOES BEYOND THE DANISH RESOLUTION WHICH THE UK REGARDS AS A BASIS ON WHICH TO BUILD. TICKELL POINTED OUT THAT FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN HAD SAID RECENTLY IN PARLIAMENT THAT THE WEST MUST MAINTAIN THE DIALOGUE WITH THE EAST AFTER STAGE III. HE NOTED THAT THE UK IN MAY HAD EXPRESSED SOME IDEAS ON THIS SUBJECT TO THE USG, ADDING THAT CALLAGHAN LIKED THE PAPER THE BRITISH HAD THEN GIVEN US. THE PRESENT BRITISH DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO EXPAND ON CALLAGHAN'S THOUGHTS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING THE EAST-WEST DIALOGUE.

4. THE BRITISH CIRCULATED THEIR PAPER TO THE NINE IN GENEVA DECEMBER 17. A COPY IS BEING POUCHED TO THE UK EMBASSY WASHINGTON FOR DISCUSSION WITH US AUTHORITIES. TICKELL SAID THAT IT IS THE BRITISH INTENTION THAT THE PAPER BE DISCUSSED BY POLITICAL DIRECTORS WHEN THEY MEET NEXT MONTH IN DUBLIN, AND SUBSEQUENTLY AT THE END OF THE MONTH AT NATO. HE PARTICULARLY REQUESTED THAT WE NOT DISCLOSE THE FACT THAT WE HAD BEEN GIVEN A COPY OF THE BRITISH PAPER.

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